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1. OFFICE OF PHILIP C. ASIODU, PERMANENT SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF MINES AND POWER AND CHAIRMAN, NIGERIAN NATIONAL OIL CORPORATION (NNOC), HAS CONFIRMED TO EMBASSY THAT HE HAS BEEN NEARLY THREE WEEKS IN LONDON UNDERGOING MEDICAL TRATEMENT. HIS OFFICE HAS NOT YET HEARD IF HE STILL INTENDS TO VISIT US BEFORE RETURNING TO NIGERIA, BUT NNOC OFFICIAL YESTERDAY TOLD EMBOFF THAT ASIODU IS EXPECTED TO RETURN DIRECTLY "BECAUSE LOTS OF THINGS ARE PILING UP."

2. TWO NNOC OFFICIALS AREPLANNING ARRIVE NEW YORK NOVEMBER 17 AND WILL ALSO VISIT WASHINGTON AND MONTREAL BEFORE END OF MONTH. THEY ARE MUKWUGO OKOYE, ONE OF THE SEVEN NNOC DIRECTORS (WHO IS ALSO CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, EAST CENTRAL STATE BROADCASTING CORPORATION) AND F.N. EKE RPT EKE PMCHX HAVE EXPRESSED
THEIR WILLINGNESS
TO MEET USG OFFICIALS AND CAN BE CONTACTED CARE OF NIGERIAN
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3. FYI. NNOC HAS BEEN ADVERTISING FOR EXPLORATION AND
PRODUCTION PERSONNEL IN N.Y. TIMES, WASHINGTON POST, AND
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR, AND PURPOSE OF TRIP BY OKOYE AND
EKE IS TO INTERVIEW JOB APPLICANTS.
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